

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART
ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

MAY 86

Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on Cleveland Artists.

FULL NAME: Jan S o b o t a

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 3 / 1 / 39 in Hromnice, Czechoslovakia

PRIMARY MEDIA

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc.: 1957- Graduated from School of Applied Arts in Prague, Czechoslovakia. 1969- Awarded the title of " Master of Applied Arts in the Field of Design Bookbinding and Restoration " by the Minister of Culture in Czechoslovakia. 1977- Awarded the title MDE by International Federation Master of the Art of Binding, West Germany. 1979- member of Designer Bookbinders in England, 1983- member of IADA in Austria, 1984 -member of Center for Book Arts, New York, 1985- member of the Hand Bookbinders of California, 1985 member of A.I.C. The American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works.

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

25 joint exhibitions, 10 individual exhibitions :

1986 - Pflichtband der MDE- Ausstellung in Passau, West Germany/ Les Arts du Livre d'hier a demain, Vesinet (Paris) France, Survey of Bookworks by Photographers, New York Metropolitan Museum.

1985 - May Show, Museum of Art, Cleveland./ Selected Works by the Hand Bookbinders of California, The Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco./ etc.

1984 - The first decade Center for Book Arts, The New York Public Library. / Handeinbande Jan Sobota, Basel Switzerland. / Horizons in Bookbinding, Brighton, England./ Un Demi- Sicle de Reliure en France et a Travers le Mode, Paris, France etc.

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

Permanent exhibitions: Museums - Pilsen, Zlutece, Jachymov, Carlsbad, Basel, Cleveland. Monastery Kladruby, Historical Library of the Monastery of Tepla, Kosumberk Castle, Astronomic Institut Basel, City hall- Brezova, Podborany, Bor u Tachova. Participation in collections: Museums - Carlsbad, Nejde, Francisbad, Opava, Cheb, Basel. City Archives Pilsen. Libraris - Budweis, Munster, Prag, Pilsen, Cleveland. And in many personal collection all over world.

AWARDS:

1. prize - III Triennial of Artistic Bookbinding, Carlsbad, Czechoslovakia 1979

1 award in symposium 3x 10 Bookbinders, Prag 1982

2 prize for Desig Bindind - 3x 10 Bookbinders, Prag 1982

Special Mentions : III Triennial of Artistic Bookbinding, Carlsbad 1979./

IV Triennial of Artistic Bookbinding, Brno, Czechoslovakia 1982./ Sixty- Sixth

May Show, The Cleveland Museum of Art, 1985 Les Arts du Livre d'hier a demain, Vesinet (Paris) France 1985-86

PRESENT POSITION:

Fine bookbinder and restorer at Allen Memorial Library in Cleveland.

Selfemployed at Book Arts Studio- Jan Sobota, Cleveland.

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In May 17 I am going to open my own gallery - Saturdays' Gallery- 565E-185th.

We would appreciate any information regarding subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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(The International Association of Artistic Binders, Germany), 1979 - member

of Designer Bookbinders in England, 1983 - member of IADA, etc.

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN: 1984 - Center for Book Arts New York,

21 joint exhibitions, 10 individual exhibitions: Czechoslovakia

(Prague, Carlsbad, Pilsen, Francisbad etc.), Switzerland (Ascona, Lausanne,

Basel), Germany (Lindau, Munster), Norwegian (Oslo), England (Brighton),

France (Paris), U.S.A. (New York, Cleveland).

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

Permanent exhibitions: Museum of Applied Arts Pilsen, Museum Zlutece, Museum Jachymov, Monastery Kladruby, Historical Library of the Monastery of Tepla, Carlsbad Regional Museum, Kosumberg Castle, Historical Museum Basel, Astronomic Institut Basel, Museum of Paper

AWARDS: Basel. Participation in collections: Regional Museum Carlsbad, City Museum Nejdek, City Archives Pilsen, City Museum Francisbad, Country Library Budweis, Silesian Museum of Opava, City Museum Cheb, Rowfant Club Cleveland, Allen Memorial Library Cleveland. And in many personal collection all over world.

Awards: 1 First Price, 1 Second Price, 2 Honours.

PRESENT POSITION:

conservator
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